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LODGE ST. JOHN,
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A REGULAR MEETING of the
above LODGE will be held in
the FARMERS' HALL, Zeland Street,
THIS EVENING, the 12th Instant, at 8
p.m. for 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, March 12, 1903. 521

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.
NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL
on FRIDAY, the 13th MARCH, 1903, at
Noon, for the purpose of Receiving a
Statement of Accounts of the Company
to the 31st December, 1902, with the
Report of the Directors and to discuss any
matter that may be competently brought
before the Meeting.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 7th to the
13th MARCH, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 2, 1903. 446

THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER
will be held at the Hongkong Club
on SATURDAY, 14th March, at 8 o'clock
p.m.
Any Devonians wishing to attend are
requested to Communicate with the Under-
signed.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 20, 1903. 360

BOWLING CLUB, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of Shareholders of the above
Club will be held on the 12th March, 1903,
on THURSDAY, the 12th March, 1903, at
5.15 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Committee together with a
Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1902.

J. L. COTTER,

Secretary.

Hongkong, March 11, 1903. 533

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND

FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the above-named Company
will be held at the REGISTERED
OFFICES of the Company, Nos. 38 to 40,
Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY,
the 26th day of MARCH, 1903, at 12
o'clock noon, for the purpose of con-
sidering and if thought fit passing the
subjoined Resolutions:—

1. That the Company may underwrite the whole or any part of the first rights on all, or any, of its properties as the directors may from time to time determine.
2. That the sum of \$200,000 now standing to the credit of Permanent Reserve Fund be transferred to the credit of an "Insurance Reserve Fund," and that this Fund shall be credited with the same premiums on the properties underwritten by the Company as if they had been insured with other companies, and that all losses by fire shall be met out of the same Fund.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, March 11, 1903. 532

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

SECOND SPRING MEETING.

1903.

SATURDAY, 4th APRIL, 1903.

5 p.m.

1.—For all China Ponies. Winner to receive \$200; Second \$50; Third \$25. Weights for inches as per scale. Ponies other than this season's Subscription Grifflins penalized 7 lbs. This season's Subscription Grifflins allowed 5 lbs. Winners of one Race at last meeting penalized 5 lbs.; of two or more Races 10 lbs. Entrance fee \$5. Once Round.

3.30 p.m.

2.—A Handicap open to this season's Water Subscription Grifflins. Winner to receive \$250; Second \$75; Third \$50. Entrance \$10. Distance, Three Quarters of a Mile.

4 p.m.

3.—For China Subscription Grifflins of this season which have not won an official Race. Winner to receive \$200; Second \$50; Third \$25. Weights as per scale. Winner of Race No. 1 barred. Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

4.30 p.m.

4.—A Handicap for Horses of any height or description. Winner to receive \$250; Second \$75; Third \$50. Winner of Race No. 2 barred. Entrance \$10. One Mile and a Quarter.

5 p.m.

5.—For all China Ponies. Winner to receive \$200; Second \$50; Third \$25. Ponies other than this season's Subscription Grifflins penalized 7 lbs. This season's Subscription Grifflins allowed 5 lbs. Winners of one Race at last meeting penalized 5 lbs.; of two or more Races 10 lbs. Winners of Races Nos. 1 and 3 barred. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

5.30 p.m.

6.—A Handicap for Subscription Waters of this season. Winner to receive \$250; Second \$75; Third \$50. Winner of Races Nos. 2 and 4 barred. Entrance \$10. Distance One Mile.

NOTE.—Riders who have not won more than Two Official Races allowed 5 lbs. concessions.

Any Race in which there are not at least Eight Entries, or for which there are not at least four runners, representing different owners, will be void.

All entries to be made in writing, enclosed in a sealed cover, addressed to the Clerk of the Course at the Hongkong Club before 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 14th March, 1903, with the entrance money enclosed. The entries to be opened in the presence of a Steward.

Entry Forms can be had on application to the Secretary, J. GRANT, H.K. Club.

A. F. ANTON,

Acting Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, March 4, 1903. 463

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—
NO. 108.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GEN. PRATYER will take place on the 20th March, 1903, from a position on CHIN LAY CHUN HILL (370) towards target placed on East side of Nau Tau Kok (1980).

By Command,

F. H. MAY,

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, March 10, 1903. 516

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG, No. 1,185, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FREE-
MASON'S HALL, Zeland Street, on MON-
DAY, the 16th Instant, at 5.40 for
6.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren
are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, March 9, 1903. 505

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LD.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY

ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at
the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder
Street, on TUESDAY, the 17th March,
1903, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving
the Report and Statement of Accounts to
31st December, 1902.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from 3rd to 17th
March, both days inclusive.JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1903. 405

CHINA SUGAR REFINING

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY

ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at
the Office of the General Agents on
TUESDAY, the 24th March, at Noon, for
the purpose of receiving the Report and
Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1902.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from 3rd to 17th
March, both days inclusive.JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, February 24, 1903. 387

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THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY

ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in the COMPANY will be
held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14,
Des Vaux Road, Victoria, on 21st March,
1903, at 11 A. M., for the purpose of re-
ceiving Statement of Accounts and the Report
of the General Managers for the year
ending 31st December, 1902, declaring a
Dividend and electing a Consulting Com-
mittee, and Auditors.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 17th to
21st March, both days inclusive.SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 7, 1903. 409

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Hongkong, October 27, 1902. 140

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Hongkong, December 2, 1902. 2483

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Hongkong, March 3, 1903. 460

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MR. LI PAK,

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Hongkong, December 5, 1902. 2612

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Hongkong, February 26, 1903. 410

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Hongkong, March 10, 1903. 523

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instruc-

tions to Sell by Public Auction

on

SATURDAY,

the 14th March, 1903, at 2

SUPREME COURT.

IN BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION.
(Before His Honor Sir William Gooden, Chief Justice.)
Thursday, March 12, 1903.

THE WAY OF EXPERIENCE.

O. M. Madar, aged 31, married, with a wife and three surviving children out of five births, appeared before the court as a petitioning debtor to undergo public examination.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd, Official Receiver, interrogated the debtor, who gave his age as stated and his occupation, that of a clerk in the Army Ordnance Department, possessing at the time he got into difficulties a salary of \$110 per month, and at the present time between \$125 and \$127 per month.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd—In 1899, the date of the Receiving Order, you had, I believe, eight creditors?—Yes.
—You owed then a total sum of \$2,500?—About that.
—When did you first get into debt?—In 1894.

Why did you get into debt then?—I had to borrow \$300 to meet funeral expenses and cost of removal.
—Witness explained that he borrowed this money from Kasa Singh; but next year he borrowed another \$200. That was for the funeral of a friend named Z. E. Yacobi, for whom he had secured a promissory note. Yacobi paid the interest on the loan, but died before the principal was paid off. Next year he borrowed \$400 from Tein Singh, the majority of which had to be paid away for medical bills; and in the same year he backed a note for \$170 for a friend, one Hassan.

The Chief Justice—Had you any property?—No, my Lord.

For a friend who left in the Ordnance Office, one Mung, he secured the use of \$120. Hassan had left the Colony, and was believed to be in Shanghai. In 1897 he signed a promissory note for \$200 in favour of his cousin whose wife was in confinement at the time. The child died, and the cousin died.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd—And pray where is he?—He, also, is in Shanghai.
Can anything be recovered from him?—I have written several times, but got no reply.

What was the next time you borrowed?—In 1898. The debtor in that year signed a promissory note for \$30, for a friend. The friend died. In the previous year he had borrowed another \$100 on his own account, in order to meet a part of the expense he was put to in that year, owing to the plague. In addition to the notes for other people, already stated, he secured a Mr. Rahum two sums, \$200 and \$200. Rahum died, and the money had never been repaid. Before his death, however, Rahum got him to help him in another financial transaction.

Rahum had a cargo of stuff in Canton, upon which he wanted to borrow money, so the debtor met to Mr. L. S. Joseph and signed an order authorizing that gentleman to raise the money as broker. Mr. Joseph took the preliminary steps, and the cargo was brought down from Canton. When it arrived, it was declared bad, and the goods people would not give delivery.

The Chief Justice—In fact it was a sort of fraud all through.

The debtor—The money was not paid. Nobody benefited by the transaction.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd—But Mr. Joseph claimed his brokerage, having fulfilled his part of the agreement. The money was secured and would have been paid had the cargo been all right.

The debtor said it was that transaction which had brought him into the Bankruptcy Court. He received a writ from Mr. Joseph for his brokerage and costs. The other creditors were not pressing.

The Chief Justice—But, my ear, did you, having no capital, go security for all these people? It is the very thing, you know, the old saying tells you not to do—never become security for your neighbours unless you want to court destruction, or unless you have plenty of money to lose.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd—I think he is just now beginning to learn that lesson, my Lord.

His Lordship remarked that the debtor had given his wife and family as the hostages of fortune. Madar should have thought of them first. He had no patience with people who gave away the substance of their own flesh and blood in order to oblige outside friends.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd said that the debtor proposed to pay a composition of 50 per cent, which proposal had been accepted. This composition he had succeeded in saving by paying out of his salary \$40 per month. There was now in the hands of the Official Receiver a sum sufficient to pay the composition and costs. This arrangement, however, could not be sanctioned by the Court without a public examination.

His Lordship said, then, that is the object of these proceedings.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd—Yes, my Lord. I think he has had a very good lesson. He has been paying off \$80 per month since 1899, just a little over \$1,400.

The debtor said he could not pay any more without distressing himself too much. His Lordship—I think you have had a very severe lesson.

In answer to Mr. Bruce Shepherd, the debtor said he had never been in debt before, nor had he made a composition with other creditors.

His Lordship said the debtor had answered very satisfactorily the questions which had been put to him, and he was glad that Madar had paid the instalments to meet the liabilities which he had so foolishly contracted. He had security for a number of people who had either fled the Colony or died, leaving him to pay their debts. He hoped this would be a lesson to Madar and others; and he strongly recommended him to keep for the future out of the way of those Indian money-lenders, once in whose grip, it was extremely difficult to get out of it.

The public examination was declared closed.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 12th at 11.52a. The barometer has risen over Japan and S. China, fallen in N. China.

Pressure is high over E. Japan, and probably a depression exists over N. China. Moderate monsoon in the Formosa Channel, and light variable winds over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—moderate E. winds; drizzling rain or mist.

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CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 11.

A POLICE FORCE.

There has been much talk of late concerning the organization of a police force in Canton, with the Japanese system as a model. Prefect Kung is the promoter of the plan. He is a young, capable and progressive man. The malta has been in abeyance during Mr Kung's absence from the city, observing the one hundred days of mourning for his mother. This morning, copies of a proclamation, issued jointly by their Excellencies Viceroy Tak and Governor Lei, are being posted in different parts of the city. The gist of the proclamation is that police forces established in Tientsin and in the Province of Hupeh have already produced good results; similar institutions are found to be the best means for preserving order in all western countries; the people should therefore cordially accept the new institution and not heed the evil sayings of evil men who alone have cause to fear. It is further stated that this action is made the more necessary at this time in view of the fact that robberies are unusually numerous and large numbers of wicked men are disturbing the peace of the people.

The plan is to select most of the men from among the present street braves, or organize them and give them instruction in police duties. One of the Canton dailies in its issue of this morning deprecates the low standard set, and states that men are being selected without regard to either character or education. One matter which I understand will be given over to the police is the supervision of the lists of the occupants of houses. These lists are in most cases made incomplete to avoid taxes, and are often written in such small characters and posted so high on the wall that it is difficult for misrepresentations to be detected. It will be the duty of the police to see that the lists are written legibly and posted in conspicuous and accessible places.

And so one of the first results promises to be rather for the benefit of the government than the governed. The Divine Book says that no one should put new wine into old wine skins. It is difficult to see how very much good can result from introducing this new department without making more radical changes in the old system of city government, or rather utter absence of city government. In some respects the present system of ward government and local responsibility seems to work well. I doubt if there is any large city in the world where there is less street roving than in Canton; there is surprisingly little considering the general character of the people. But for the welfare of the city as a whole, united action is very much needed. Chinese cities, with Canton as a typical one, stand alone as cities without a city government. This great city is only numerous villages which accidentally lie next to each other, each independent of the other, so far as the government is concerned. The change now made is significant, and I hope that it will lead to others. The entire population will be benefited if part of the duty of the police shall be to see that the streets are kept in a better condition. There are a few, out a very few, clean streets in this city. A reconstruction of the streets would be necessary to put the city in anything like a proper sanitary condition, but great improvement would result if the garbage was disposed of in some better way than dumping it into the street, and if every resident was forced to keep the street adjacent to his house in a neat condition.

LANDLORDS' MEETING.

The annual meeting of landowners, British concession, Shamun, was held yesterday. Money was voted for erecting suitable quarters for the police department. It was the unanimous opinion of the gentlemen present that Mr Lind'erg, who has served the municipality for thirty years as superintendent of police, should be voted a pension if he should wish to retire, but was not in their power to do more than to vote, as they did, for the present year, and to recommend that a similar vote be taken in subsequent annual meetings. This is a most fitting recognition of faithful service. It was further voted, in view of the increased cost of maintaining the municipal government, to increase the tax upon houses and lots within the concession. The rates at present are comparatively low.

THE KWANGSUI REBELLION.

Very little news reaches here from Kwang Sai that one can depend upon. The special correspondent of one of the Canton dailies writes that the magistrate of Wang Chow, near the centre of the southern part of the province, surnames Lai, went in person against a band of robbers in his district. The soldier boat in which he was travelling was fired upon by the robbers, and he and his escort of fourteen men, taken entirely by surprise, were all killed. The district magistrate of Kwai Yen is using the most drastic measures to restore order in his district. He entered upon his duties at the beginning of the Chinese New Year, i.e. January 29, and since that time is said to have headed about 1200 men. While the evidence is lacking to show that there is an organized rebellion in the province, it is plain that the country is in a most disturbed condition. And it is not surprising that it is so. Last year's drought and flood, famine and disease have left untold suffering in their wake. And now again the high waters are destroying

many of the smaller crops. Robbers are always numerous, and these calamities have added many recruits. In ordinary times, the people do not find the taxes oppressive. The worst feature of the present government is that practically nothing is done for the amelioration of the condition of the people. The people exist for the government and not the government for the people. Such a state of things cannot exist long in this enlightened age.

THE WEATHER.

It continues to rain here. We are soaking now, and we shall be steaming if not stewing before long. But the season so far is much more wholesome than 1902. Since the above was written it has cleared, and we have been treated to a delightful day.

CRICKET.

R.A.M.C. v. H.M.S. 'GOLIATH'.
A match was played between the R.A.M.C. and the H.M.S. 'Goliath' at the Happy Valley on the 10th inst. The result was a win for the Medical Corps. Scores:—

R.A.M.C. 'GOLIATH'.	
Mr R. Harbottle, c Harvey, b Cook	1
Mr L. Young, c Skinner, b Williams	21
Mr G. Coleridge, b Cook	7
P. O. Fackrell, b Williams	0
Mr McKinley, run out	0
Mr Eldridge, c Skinner, b Cook	5
Mr Harvey, b Williams	10
Mr French, not out	5
Opt. Worthington, c Skinner, b Williams	2
Pca. Austin, b Cook	3
Mr Shepherd, b Williams	2
Extras	1
Total	64

R.A.M.C.	
Mr Harvey, c Young, b Coleridge	6
Staff-Sgt. Wilson, c McKinley, b Coleridge	0
Pca. Woolley, c Austin, b Coleridge	14
Pca. Cook, c Harbottle, b Shepherd	41
Sgt. Rioran, b Coleridge	2
Mr Craig, c Young, b Coleridge	1
S. M. Alford, b Coleridge	7
Sgt. Skinner, b Shepherd	5
Sgt. Dearsley, b Shepherd	2
Staff-Sgt. Senior not out	11
Pie. Williams, c Fackrell, b Coleridge	0
Extras	8
Total	97

MACAO NOTES.

(From A Correspondent.)

Macao, March 10.

A BIT OF OPERA HOUSE.

Considerable feeling has been created here by the attitude of the Government towards the Committee of the Club Union over a dispute between the Committee and some of the members which ended in the closing of the Club. It appears that at a dance at the Club on Carnival Day, two members had a rather heated discussion over some trivial matter. A member of the Committee had to interfere to prevent a quarrel, and was thereupon taunted in unseemly language by a young middy. The next day, the Committee met, and after investigating the case decided to expel the middy, and reprimanded the other two members. This action of the Committee, however, did not meet with approval in some quarters, and a general meeting was requisitioned by five members. The meeting was held a few days later, but no decision was come to, as the meeting broke up in disorder, the majority of the members supporting the action of the Committee.

At this stage, it was thought by many members that the best course to pursue would be to wind-up the Club to prevent any further trouble. It was therefore decided to convene a general meeting for the purpose. On this meeting known to the dissatisfied members, the Governor's personal intervention was sought, with the following result. In the afternoon of the day on which the second meeting took place, the members of Committee were summoned promptly by the Government to cancel their decision or be prepared to undergo the penalties of the law for disobedience of the orders of the authorities! At the meeting held that night, a representative of the Government was present, accompanied by a staff of clerks, ushers, orderlies, &c. Around the buildings, detectives were posted, and hidden in the annex of an old church across the road was a police force, 14 strong, armed to the teeth with carbines, revolvers and bayonets. This bellicose attitude of the authorities was unnecessary irritating, and has caused bitter resentment in the community. The members were not overawed. It was decided to wind-up the Club.

ARTESIAN WELLS.

It is rumored that the much-needed improvement is now engaging the serious attention of the Government, as a Japanese engineer has been seen engaged in boring operations in the vicinity of the Hongkong steamer-wharf, assisted by some Government officials. The importance of having additional sources of water supply will be better understood when it is mentioned that at present the whole town is supplied with potable water from two small fountains only.

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Telegraphic news has been received from Lisbon that there has been a change in the personnel of the Portuguese Ministry and that His Excellency General Gornjo, who was decorated recently by the British Government with the Order of the Bath, on the occasion of Lord Milner's visit to Delagoa Bay, has been appointed Secretary of State for the Colonies.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

CAPTAIN'S CUP AND SILVER MEDAL FOR MARCH.

The following cards were returned:—

Mr G. Stewart	85—4=81
Major Taylor	85—11=84
Capt. Phillips	95—10=83
Mr C. W. May	93—6=87
Mr A. B. Lawson	93—6=87
Mr J. Johnstone	93—6=87
Mr A. Boyl	108—18=90
Mr H. J. Gudge	112—18=94
33 entries.	

Mr W. L. Martin	93—14=79
Mr G. Stewart	86—4=81
Liout. D. C. H. Dalrymple	94—13=81
Mr C. G. Mathew	99—18=81
Capt. Henderson	94—11=83
Capt. Phillips	95—10=85
Mr C. W. May	93—6=87
Mr A. B. Lawson	93—6=87
Mr J. Johnstone	93—6=87
31 entries.	

CORRESPONDENCE.

'DOING THE LIST.'

To the Editor of 'THE CHINA MAIL',
Hongkong, March 12.

Dear Sir,—What is to prevent unregistered architects making plans for contractors, and then securing for their designs the signature of one of the gentlemen whose names appear on the Government list of architects? 'Cunning' being, of course, understood?

I do not suggest, for no moment, that any of the gentlemen at present registered would lend themselves to such a mean manner of securing in dollars, but I have heard it openly boasted by a certain individual who does not hope to be put upon the list, that he can, in this fashion, do the Government 'one in the eye', to quote his own words; and given the necessary list of architects of little virtue, I do not see anything in the Act (the product of so much discussion and amendment), to prevent him—I am, &c.,

ONE WHO WANTS TO KNOW.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

To the Editor of 'THE CHINA MAIL',
March 12, 1903.

Sir,—In re Ratepayer's letter in yesterday's issue, I can verify the statements made, and can feel for him, being placed in the same condition myself. I would like to know if I should be within my rights if, at the end of the month, when the W. A. send in their bill for water and rent of meter, I send in a bill to them for the amount I have expended in providing myself with water which they have neglected to supply me with, and for which they are receiving rates? Would you also inform me as to the amount of water supposed to be provided per person, and the length of time the water is turned on? Thanking you in anticipation,—Yours &c.,

QUERY.

[We are not in a position to answer all our correspondent's questions. He must act on his own judgment. As to the inquiry of charging for water not supplied there can be only one opinion. Our correspondent should read our leading article in Saturday's issue on the water supply. How much our correspondent is 'supposed' to get or the length of time the water is turned on, we cannot say. What he is entitled to get was contained in Mr Danby's table.—Ed. C.M.]

THE BROUCH COMEDY CO.

'The Second Mrs Tanqueray.'

Last night, in this play, the Brough Company scored another success. A long-looked acquaintance of the Company convinces one that Mr and Mrs Brough are supported by players of great ability. The variety of the Company's repertoire demands that each artist should be possessed of versatility and experience. Who can wish for anything better than the performance witnessed up to and including last night? We doubt if anywhere in London, or out of it, there could be found a company so thoroughly artistic, and at home in each and every part they play. We again congratulate Mr Brough as the head of such an excellent combination. One has only to look at the general ensemble to realize that he is content with nothing but the best on each day. The stage furniture is of the choicest; the dresses, dresses and scenery all that money can procure and good taste suggest.

Mr Brough's portrayal of 'Paula' is a masterpiece. She is perfect not only in her comedy scenes but in her outbursts of passionate jealousy, concluding with the intense tragedy of the last act. Nothing could be finer than the scene with 'Mr Cortelyou' in the second act, and again, with such scenes as 'Paula's' last night. Mr Brough makes us extremely sorry for 'Paula', torn by the passion of jealousy and remorse. Jealous of the purity of other women, she strives to eliminate the past, and is equally used in the quiet but intense scenes with 'Paula' as when, later, he cursed 'Captain Arble'. Mr Brough makes his 'Paula' a very, very human, and makes the spectator forget that it is, after all, but a stage character and part played by an actor. Mr Victor, who is so accustomed to see in comedy, parts, played that of 'Cayley Drumme', and, although not quite fitted to the part, played it well. Mr Orlando Daly's rendering of the drunkard 'Sir George Greyed', 'Bart' was excellent. Mr Vere's part has a strong bearing on the trend of events, but his actual appearance on the stage is brief. Mr Vere realises the intention of the author, and plays the part with all the intensity and grip required. But for his natural and cultured acting, the slightest slip on his part would have marred the whole scene with 'Paula'. Miss Gibson was a graceful 'Eileen', and added materially to her reputation by last night's performance. The smaller parts were more than adequately filled by the other members of the Company.

Paulton's 'Niobe' will be played to-night, Mrs Brough being 'Niobe' (all girls) and Mr Brough 'Peter Amos Danby'.

Memoranda.
THURSDAY, March 26:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.
THURSDAY, April 9:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Bureau Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL.
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

Under the direction of Mr. ROBERT BROUGH, Representative of Mr. ALLAN HAMILTON.
TO-NIGHT (THURSDAY), 12th MARCH.

THE BROUCH COMEDY CO.

'NIobe.'
(By arrangement with the author.)
A mythological farcical comedy in Three Acts, by H. and E. Paulton.

TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), 13th MARCH.
'A VILLAGE PRIEST.'
(By arrangement with the author.)
A drama in Five Acts, by Sydney Grundy.

SATURDAY and MONDAY NEXT, 14th and 15th MARCH.

'FACING THE MUSIC.'
(By arrangement with Frank Thornton, Esq.)

An original farce in Three Acts, by J. H. Danby, author of 'The Solicitor.'

TUESDAY NEXT, 17th MARCH.

'THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST.'
(By arrangement with George Alexander, Esq.)

A comedy in Four Acts, by the late Oscar Wilde.

Box Plans at ROBINSON'S.
Dress Circle and Orchestra Stalls, \$4.00. Stalls, \$2.00. Back Seats, \$1.00.

Doors Open 8.30. Curtain 9. Chairs, etc., at 11.30. Late Train to the Peak as usual.

Hongkong, March 12, 1903.

TO LET.

HOUSES TO SUIT ALL REQUIREMENTS.

1st FLOOR No. 3 Old Bailey.

NO. 6 REDFAN TERRACE.

SEVERAL newly-built HOUSES at MORRISON HILL GAP. Cheap EUROPEAN FLATS in Wan Chai Road.

The Undersigned will be glad to undertake the letting, etc., of Houses for Owners of Property.

S. A. SETH, DARYL FARM CO.

Hongkong, March 12, 1903.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

FOR SHANGHAI AND CHINKIANG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to Tientsin and Hankow.)

THE Steamship KOWLOON.

Captain STEER, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 13th inst., at 4 p.m., instead of as previously notified.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second-class passengers.

For Freight or passage, apply to SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 12, 1903.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO & SINGAPORE.

THE Co's Steamship 'Hibiki Maru', having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-morrow.

Goods not cleared by the 18th March, will be subject to rent.

All Ship-damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and Notice of same sent to this Office before the 21st March, or Claims in connection therewith will not be recognized.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, March 12, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP SYDNEY.

COMPAGNIE DES MESAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from LONDON via S. A. Charante, from HAVRE via S. A. Charante, and from BORDEAUX via S. A. Charante in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Optium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, Ltd., at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon To-day, the 12th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 19th March, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 13th March, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on THURSDAY, the 19th March, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from Stonecutters Island, West Battery, on the 13th March, 1903, in a South-Westerly direction. Practice will commence at about 9.30 a.m.

By Command, F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, March 12, 1903.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 14th of March, 1903, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Room, D

